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Not sent last.

Department of the Interior, U. S. land office at Fort Sumner, N. M., Dec. 28, 1911.

Notice is hereby given that Andrew J. Guberson, of the County of Lea, State of New Mexico, is the owner of the following described land, to-wit:

Tract No. 1, Section 1, Township 1 North, Range 1 East, New Mexico Principal Meridian land. Bled from the Indian Reservation of the same name, and is now being offered for sale by public auction, to-wit: on the 10th day of January, 1912, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the office of the United States land office at Fort Sumner, N. M., in the 6th, 7th and 8th sections of the same township.

Claimant named as witness:

Joseph A. McCormick, Oscar L. McCormick, John W. Stanford, all of Blanding, N. M., William E. Reed of Fort Sumner, N. M., and Arthur E. Curry, Register.

Non cash land.
Department of the Interior United States land
office at Fort Sumner. New Mexico, new
25, 1915.
This land is hereby given that John S.
Adair, of Clovis, New Mexico, who on
June 1, 1915, made homestead claim
No. 6087, in the 10th and 11th sections of
township 10 north, range 31 east, New Mexico
principal meridian, has filed notice of intention
to make this land his own, to be retained, claim
to the land above described below at W. J. Curran
United States Commissioner at his J. Curran
office, New Mexico, on the 10th day of February
1915.
Witness my hand and the seal of the
Department of the Interior, at Washington, D. C.,
this 10th day of February, 1915.
Arthur E. Curran, Register.

Said No. 03277. Contestant.
 Department of the Interior, United States
 Office, Post Summary, N. M. Box 33, 1011,
 Clarence Guebault, of Blackwater, N.
 Contestant:
 You are hereby notified that Lonn Dunbar
 who gives St. Vrain, New Mexico as his post-
 office address did on November 13, 1914, file in this
 office his duly corroborated application to have
 filed and secure the cancellation of your home-
 land. No. 05126 serial no. 03277 main
 Sept. A. 1917 for southeast quarter, section 16,
 township 2, north, range 3, east, N. M. P.
 Meridian, and as grounds for his contest he al-
 leges that claimant Clarence Guebault, has
 never maintained a residence on said cultivated
 the land.
 You are, therefore, further notified that the
 said allegations will be taken by this office as
 having been confirmed by you, and your entry
 will be canceled thereunder without your
 further right to be heard therein, either before
 this office or on appeal. If you fail to file in this
 office within twenty days after the fourth pub-
 lication of this notice, as shown below, your
 answer, and your specifically meeting and
 answering to these allegations or contest, or if
 you fail to file within that time to file in this
 office due proof that you have served a copy of
 your answer on the said contestant either in
 person or by registered mail. If this service is
 made by the delivery of a copy of your answer
 to the contestant in person, proof of such ser-
 vice must be either the said contestant's written
 acknowledgment of his receipt of the copy,
 showing the date of its receipt, or the affidavit
 of the person by whom the delivery was made
 stating when and where the copy was delivered;
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 vice must consist of a return receipt of the per-
 son by whom the copy was mailed stating when
 and where the office to which it was mailed and
 this affidavit must be accompanied by the postmas-
 ter's receipt for the letter.
 You should state in your answer the name of
 the post office to which you desire future no-
 tices to be sent to you.
 Article 1, Section 1, Current Register
 Date of first publication November 30, 1914.
 " second " December 7
 " third " December 14
 " fourth " December 21

Non real land.
Department of the Interior, U. S. land office at
Fort Sumner, N. M. December 28, 1913.
Notice is hereby given that Ida Woodard,
Claud, N. M. wife of John Woodard, and
H. E. M. M. who live on the northeast quarter,
Section 10, township 4 North range 35 east, N.
M. P. Meridian has filed notice of intention
to make final commutation proof to establish
claim to land under patent recorded before
Wm. J. Curran U. S. Commissioner in his office
at Clovis, N. M. on the 7th day of February 1913.
Claimant names as witnesses:
J. C. Curran, J. C. Smith, both of
Harg, N. M., Luther P. Carmack, Augusta Kos
both of Claud, N. M.
Arthur E. Curran,
Register.

Non coal land.
Department of the Interior, US Land office at
Pt. Sumner N. M. Jan. 8, 1912.
Notice is hereby given that Robert J. Whitehead,
of the County of Lincoln, State of N. D., has filed a
homestead entry, 108888, for the North and half
Northwest quarter of section 15, township 2 north
range 1 East N. 41 E. Meridian, in the
vicinity of International Falls, Minnesota, and
to establish claim to the land above described,
before William J. Curran, U. S. Commissioner,
at International Falls, N. D., on the 25th day
of February, 1912.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Benjamin F. Moss, Imita N. Wood, Thomas F.
Henderson and Claude H. Black, all of County of N.
D. D.
Attest: E. Curran, Register.

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No-nester, who has withstood the hardships of five years in a little shack out on the plains of New Mexico, will disagree with the lands committee of the senate in its effort to reduce the time on a homestead from five to three years and to allow the homesteader to leave his claim for six months out of the year in order to earn enough money to improve it and to support himself and family.

As the best lands of the nation already have been homesteaded, and as the farmers in the southwest who homesteaded must usually learn an entire new system of farming, the more liberal the provisions of the homestead act are made, the better it will be for all concerned. The only thing that should be guarded against is to prevent speculators from getting hold of public domain under the homestead act. No community wants its lands homesteaded except by bona fide farmers who will produce something besides second mortgages.

The basic intent of the homestead act was to permit the poor man to get a home on the land. Under the present act it is often a gamble as to whether a man can prove up before he starves to death or loses his claim while trying to earn a living.

While the merits of the case are not as yet fully developed, and will not be until the complete text of the new bill is known, still one thing stands pre-eminent—that no man should have to have from \$2,000 to \$5,000 before he dare take his family on a homestead claim.—Albuquerque Morning Journal.

Never before has there been so much said and written in regard to revising the homestead law in some manner that will make it easier for the homesteader to secure title to his land. Too much cannot be said or done along this line as every citizen of the new state should be interested in this matter and do all in their power to help the cause. Our laws are intended to be made and enforced in a way that is of most benefit to the general public but the public is

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expected to make their wants and needs known. So more should be said and done toward expressing the public sentiment in regard to making the homestead laws more lenient on the settler.

"Surely no argument can be brought against this, unless by some shortsighted person who is afraid some one will prove up and leave the country and thereby buy their bacon and calico elsewhere. Let him prove up and leave before he goes broke and can't leave. Whats a man with no money and no employment worth to a country or town? What kind of an advertisement for the country is he when he and family go back to their native home, without a penny, without clothes enough to keep them warm, etc., and as the laws are now, often without a deed to their homestead—nothing but a memory of years of hardship. Do you suppose that fellow is going to have any good word to give our fair land? Do you think he is going to advise his friends to go out west and file on a homestead? Not likely.

Make the laws easier, give the settler more freedom and give the homeless an opportunity to get their homes with less expense, trouble and worry. Fix it so the "Free" homes will not be so costly and the word "Free" will not be so misleading. Of course some few will prove up sooner and probably leave the country, but should the homestead laws be made easier, for every one that left there would be two come. And those few who did leave would not leave with a grudge against the country and instead of knocking would be boosting. And when conditions existed that enabled the settler to make money farming his claiming he would most surely farm it and he would not have to be compelled by law to live

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there either, as common sense and reason would teach him to go where he could make the best and easiest living.—Ex.

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CURRY COUNTY NEW MEXICO
IN THE MATTER OF A. R.
LEMOINE, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given, that letters of administration on the

estate of A. R. LeMoine, deceased, were granted to the undersigned by the probate court, of Curry County, New Mexico on the 2nd day of January A. D. 1912.

All persons having claims against said estate are required to exhibit the same to the undersigned at his office in Clovis, New Mexico for allowance, within one year after the date of this publication with necessary vouchers, or they will be for-

ever precluded from any benefit of said estate, or said claims may be filed in said Probate Court.

Dated this 2nd day of January
A. D. 1912.

j4-18 B. D. Oldham,
Administrator.